

## Emissaries will carry messages from King to Arab leaders

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — A number of Jordanian emissaries will leave Amman in the next few days carrying messages from His Majesty King Hussein to Arab kings and presidents about a proposed agenda for the Arab summit called for by King Hussein to draw up a comprehensive plan for Arab action. His Majesty presided over a cabinet meeting on Monday to discuss the proposed working plan which includes suggestions for organizing diplomatic, political, information and economic activity.

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## Atherton believes there is still movement towards Mideast peace

WASHINGTON, April 5 (R). — The United States' chief Middle East negotiator, Assistant Secretary of State Alfred Atherton, said today he believed there was still movement toward peace in the area, despite current problems. In remarks prepared for delivery at a one-day conference on the Middle East in Atlanta, Georgia, Mr. Atherton said: "Nothing stands still in the Middle East. Matters are always moving -- toward peace, or towards war, so long as the basic conflict is unresolved."

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In meeting with Badran

## Qadhafi endorses King Hussein's call for Arab summit

ENNAZI, April 5 (JNA). — Col. Muammar Qadhafi today received Prime Minister Mudir Badran who delivered a message from His Majesty King Hussein dealing with unified Arab action to counter Israeli policy and actions in the Middle East.

During the meeting, Col. Qadhafi expressed his deep appreciation of Jordan's leadership and its policy.

He praised the country's political responsibility and realism. Col. Qadhafi endorsed King Hussein's call for an Arab plan of action and a summit meeting to define a common Arab policy.

Premier Badran and Col. Qadhafi spent three hours reviewing the Arab situation and the developments in the Middle East. They also discussed ways of strengthening Arab so-

lidarity and bilateral relations. The meeting was attended by Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim and on the Libyan side by Mr. Badran's opposite number Abdul 'Ati Al Abdei and Foreign Minister Dr. Ali Tureik.

The two sides yesterday held a first round of talks on the present situation in the Arab world and bilateral relations.

Mr. Abdei praised Jordan's sincere policy towards the latest Middle East developments.

Mr. Badran explained that Jordan's position is based on the fact that Israel must choose between peace and territory. He added that a just peace in the region will not be established unless Israel withdraws from occupied territory. Jerusalem is returned to Arab sovereignty and the Palestinians are given all their legitimate rights.

## Key posts unchanged in new French cabinet

PARIS, April 5 (R). — French Prime Minister Raymond Barre tonight formed his new government, which left most key posts unchanged but included several new faces.

M. Barre will no longer act as his own Finance Minister, as the job was split between new portfolios — Economic and Budgetary Affairs.

Foreign Minister Louis de Bréangeau retained his post as M. Christian Bonnet (Interior), M. Yvon Bourges (Defence), and M. Alain Peyrefitte (Justice).

The 20 ministers and two junior ministers named this evening included two women, both of whom served in the previous Barre administration.

They were Madame Simone Gély, who stayed at the Health

Ministry and Madame Alice Saunier-Seita, who retained the universities portfolio.

M. Barre's third administration since he became prime minister in August, 1976 was appointed just over two weeks after general elections in which the centre-right coalition won an unexpectedly clear victory over the Socialist-Communist opposition.

The new government meets for the first time tomorrow morning under the chairmanship of President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing.

There were nine new ministers including M. André Giraud, former head of the French Atomic Energy Authority. He took over the industry portfolio. Other newcomers include Gaullist Maurice Papon, made responsible for Budgetary Affairs.



## Lebanon warned of return to civil war by opposing factions

BEIRUT, Lebanon, April 5 (AP). — Moslem and rightist Christian leaders warned Wednesday that Lebanon's civil war could resume unless their rival plans to cope with Israel's invasion of south Lebanon were realized.

In addition, Palestinians threatened again to take on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) if the peacekeepers try to stop guerrillas from striking at Israeli forces.

Against this heated background, the government of President Elias Sarkis prepared to re-assert Lebanon's authority in the south by deploying a symbolic force of 30 gendarmes to help UNIFIL guard the 15-day-old ceasefire in south Lebanon.

The state radio said the 30-man unit was scheduled to live up today with a U.N. Norwegian platoon at a strategic bridge on the Litani river.

More to follow

The broadcast said once the bridge experiment succeeded, more Lebanese gendarme units would be dispatched to the south.

The Central Council of leftist Moslem militias warned the government against sending gendarmes to the south saying it would tip the balance of power in Lebanon and plunge the nation into the destructive whirlpool of civil war.

Several other French staff

officers will be assigned to Gen. Erskine's headquarters.

The French government will also step up its contribution to the U.N. force in Lebanon. In addition to the 600-strong paratroop contingent already there, about 500 engineers, signalmen and other technicians from the French armed forces will soon be dispatched to Lebanon in response to a U.N. request, officials said.

France is expected to be in charge of the U.N. force's overall logistic system, including telecommunications and transport, they said.

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The source, who asked not to be identified, said Tuesday that the U.N. troops face the danger of getting caught in the crossfire between leftist Moslem and Palestinian guerrillas on one side and the pro-Israel Christians on the other.

U.S. planes for Sudan proposed

WASHINGTON, April 5 (R). — The U.S. Defence Department yesterday notified Congress of its intention to sell Sudan 10 F-5 fighters and two F-5F trainers with spare parts worth an estimated \$117 million. Congress has 30 days to consider the deal which involves the first American combat planes ever sold to Sudan, which borders Ethiopia.

Iranian defence minister holds talks in Prague

PRAGUE, April 5 (R). — The Iranian Deputy Defence Minister, Gen. Hassan Toufani, left today after a two-day visit to Czechoslovakia. Iranian embassy sources said before leaving he discussed the development of economic relations between the two countries and Czechoslovak participation in the industrialisation of Iran with Prime Minister Lubomir Strougal. Czech news agency reported in the first news of Gen. Toufani's visit here.

Malaysia accepts credentials of Jordanian ambassador

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia, April 5 (AP). — The Timbalan Yang Dipertuan Agung (Deputy King) Sultan Ahmad Shah received the credentials of the new Jordanian Ambassador Riad Sabri at the national palace Wednesday. He also reiterated Malaysia's "immovable" support for the Arab cause in the dispute with Israel and added that a peaceful and just solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict should not preclude the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people, including their rights to a Palestinian state.

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## World News Roundup...

### British family murdered near Beirut

KUWAIT, April 5 (R). — Kuwaiti Defence Minister Sheikh Salem Al Sabah will visit the United States in mid-May at the invitation of American Secretary of Defence Harold Brown, the daily newspaper Al Qabas said here today. In an unconfirmed report from Washington, it said Sheikh Salem, who took up his post in February, would be accompanied by Kuwaiti Chief of Staff Maj. Gen. Muhammed Al Abdullah Al Sabah, and senior air force and navy officers.

During his visit, the minister will be assigned to Gen. Erskine's headquarters.

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### First western flight to S. Vietnam

PARIS, April 5 (R). — An Air France airliner with 297 passengers left Paris today for Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon) on the first regular flight from a Western country to Vietnam since the conflict was ended nearly three years ago. The French airline will fly a weekly return service between Paris and Ho Chi Minh City by Boeing 747, with stopovers in Tehran, Karachi, Bombay and Bangkok.

American agents exposed, says Colby

WASHINGTON, April 5 (R). — William Colby, former director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), said today that other U.S. government organisations should be required to help American intelligence agents in their work. "The elimination of the use of various American agencies for cover has exposed our officers to my identification, surveillance and frustration of their mission, from physical danger," Dr. Colby told a Senate committee. The committee is considering a new charter governing S. intelligence operations. The former CIA chief, now in private practice, said today the proposed charter should clearly state that intelligence agents are barred from infiltrating groups operating in certain areas, such as religion, cultural affairs and news.

Assad chairs meeting

AMASCUS, April 5 (R). — President Hafez Assad chaired a meeting late last night of Syrian political leaders held to discuss Middle East developments following Israel's invasion of south Lebanon. Official sources said topics also included what Syria regarded as a link between the invasion and President Sadat of Egypt's peace bid.

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## Sadat says Carter is now partner, not mediator in search for Mideast peace

CAIRO, April 5 (AP). — President Anwar Sadat declared today he was satisfied with President Carter's role in Mideast diplomacy and declined to say whether he believed Israeli Premier Menachem Begin was personally an obstacle to peace. In seeking to distance himself from the growing U.S.-Israel dispute over Middle East peace steps, Sadat said Israeli Defence Minister Ezer Weizman "is always welcome" in Cairo.

His remarks added up to a subtle buildup of Weizman, who is regarded by some as a growing political rival to Begin, and encouragement for Carter to maintain pressure on Israel.

Sadat made his remarks to an international group of professional journalists and academics in Cairo to attend a conference on news exchanges with the Third World. He spoke as Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan said at the end of his visit to Romania that the next step in the peace negotiations was up to Washington.

The Boston newspaper reported, meanwhile, that the Carter administration was preparing its own "declaration of principles" governing a settlement.

"President Carter really has taken his share," Sadat said. "The American role is very important because America and President Carter are no more mediators. He is a full partner. He has agreed on this conception and for me this is very satisfying."

Guerrillas lately have been observed deploying leftist Lebanese militiamen in forward positions between guerrilla-held lines north of the Litani and Israeli lines south of the river.

The move was seen as an attempt by Arafat's high command to avert direct confrontation with UNIFIL or any Lebanese regular forces dispatched to the frontline.

Former President Camille Chamoun, the over-all leader of Christian militias, urged the U.N. Security Council to boost UNIFIL's manpower and firepower and stretch its mandate to "re-establish stability" throughout the whole of Lebanon.

"Otherwise, the whole of Lebanon will be engulfed in another war," Chamoun warned in a published statement.

Through an even-handed policy, I think we can reach the moment when the talks (with Israel) can be resumed," Sadat added.

Carter and Begin clashed over the terms of a settlement during the Israeli leader's visit to Washington last month. But Sadat reiterated today that Carter's views are "acceptable to me."

The Egyptian call for even-handedness thus was seen as

Weizman when he visited me last time. I don't feel like making any comment other than this."

But he said that thousands of Israelis who demonstrated in Tel Aviv last week demanding that Begin be more forthcoming were "wise."

And Weizman, Sadat continued, "may come again. I have declared I have no objection to this. I told him he is welcome whenever there are new ideas to start with, to make us speak the same language instead of two languages."

Weizman was said last week to have brought some new proposals, but the Egyptians said while he was still here that there had been no progress.

Sadat complained again today that while the Egyptian outlook on the 30-year conflict

had changed, Israel still thought in the same old ways.

The deadlock centers on the future of the Palestinians and Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab land, with the subsidiary problem of Jewish settlements on Arab soil also blocking progress.

Begin has offered home rule for the 1.1 million Palestinians living in the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip, with Israel maintaining a strong military presence in those areas. Both Carter and Sadat say Israel must pull out, though in varying degrees.

Sadat demands additionally that Israel agree to withdraw from the Sinai Peninsula and the Syrian Golan Heights, and allow the Palestinians to exercise self-determination, leading to a quasi-independent state.

## Revival of peace negotiations is up to United States, says Dayan

BUCHAREST, April 5 (R). — Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan said at the end of a three-day visit to Romania today Israel expected a U.S. initiative to help revive Middle East peace negotiations.

Mr. Dayan said Romania's President Nicolae Ceausescu had given strong support to the continuation of peace moves launched by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

"We are waiting for the Americans. I don't think we can do much more just now," the Israeli minister told reporters at the end of a two-day visit to Romania.

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## A monster running wild

It becomes more clear every day that the deployment of the United Nations peacekeeping force in south Lebanon is not going to be as easy a job as initially envisaged, and it also becomes obvious that the Israelis are not planning any early withdrawal. It takes some close reading between the lines of Israeli intentions, but one discovers nevertheless that Israel has arranged a situation where it hides its expansionist ambitions behind the facade of the United Nations peacekeepers.

For example, the constant Israeli message over the past two weeks has been that the Israeli army would withdraw from south Lebanon just as soon as the United Nations forces take control of the area. But who determines when the U.N. has done that? It is peculiar that Israel would drive the Palestinians out of their homes in Palestine and into south Lebanon, then invade and occupy south Lebanon and set its own conditions for a withdrawal. And it is doubly peculiar, since the U.N. Security Council resolution calling on the Israelis to withdraw said nothing about the withdrawal being coupled to the deployment of the U.N. peacekeeping force. If Rhodesia invaded Zambia and set its own conditions for withdrawal, would the rest of the world sit around complacently as it does with the Israeli invasion of south Lebanon?

The Israelis are up to their old tricks again. They have wrapped their racist anti-Palestinianism in the cloak of undefined security dictates, and the world seems to have fallen for this duplicity once again. If Israel decides that the U.N. troops cannot maintain peace and quiet in south Lebanon, does Israel then stay there indefinitely? Does it then send in some settlers to set up shop in Lebanon inside Israeli military camps? Perhaps this will be done on strategic hilltops, thereby to be covered by the dictates of "security"? If Israel stays in south Lebanon and its troops get shelled from Palestinian bases north of the Litani River, does Israel then invade further north?

Are we talking about the security requirements of Israel, or the surrender of the entire world to the monster of Zionist militarism?

## ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Under the heading "Self-Attrition" AL RA'I said Wednesday that Washington and Moscow seem equally to have despaired of bringing peace to the Middle East. Neither is America able to tame Israel into submitting to peace requirements, nor is the Soviet Union able to persuade the Arabs to build a unified front capable of taking the hazardous road to peace...

It also seems that Washington and Moscow have decided to leave the disputants in the Middle East to undergo a process of self-attrition without direct interference by the two superpowers, at least at the present stage.

But, the newspaper adds, it is sorrowful indeed, that whenever Israel feels the impact of increasing pressures internally, it hurriedly removes the battle to the outside and expands at the expense of Arab territory without allowing the attrition process to touch the "Jewish structure". On the contrary, the newspaper says, the attrition theory poses dangers for the Arab countries due to frustrations resulting from the inability to make any progress towards their national goals.

AL DUSTOUR highlights the agricultural symposium now being held at the Karak Governorate under Crown Prince Hassan. Stressing the importance of agricultural development as a national objective for Jordan, the newspaper says that agriculture will play a basic role. In the world of tomorrow, due to the fact that food, the fruit of agriculture, has become a vital element of political and economic independence which has a bearing on national security.

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## U.S. Mideast expert says in interview

## Despite Israeli dissatisfaction with many of Begin's views, no one can step in his shoes now

By Jenab Tutunji  
 Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, April 5. — Prof. Bernard Reich is a distinguished academic who impressed most Jordanians whom he met during a five-day visit to Amman last week, his first in twelve years. During two informal chats with the Jordan Times, Dr. Reich spoke freely about the Israeli and Arab scenes, his disappointment with the current deadlock in the search for a Middle East peace and some of the factors responsible for the impasse.

The image one forms of the Israeli political scene after talking to Dr. Bernard Reich, is that although there is dissatisfaction in many quarters and in large segments of the public with Prime Minister Menachem Begin's policies the veteran Likud boss is still on top of the situation and it looks as though he will remain in co-

ntrol, for some time to come. The problem is that there is no credible alternative to Mr. Begin, no replacement for him as prime minister at the moment. Despite all the talk about Defence Minister Ezer Weizman being the possible successor for Begin, Dr. Reich points out, with irrefutable logic that Weizman does not stand a chance so long as Begin wishes to maintain control. In naming a new prime minister, the practice is for the president to turn to the largest party, which itself nominates the prime minister. In other words, the change would have to be made within the confines of the party, and within the party Mr. Weizman has no chance of defeating Mr. Begin. If Begin were no longer on the scene or were to step down, the picture

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on 113 votes (out of 120) to oppose the creation of an independent Palestinian state, to oppose any negotiations with the PLO and to oppose the return to the 1967 borders. People in the Knesset ran on platforms which said all these things.

## Turning the issue around

Begin's success in maintaining his hardline views so far rests partly on his ability to turn the issue around from his stand on Resolution 242, for instance, to one of these three points. There has been no real test for his interpretation of 242 and his settlements policy.

For instance, on returning from a highly unsuccessful round of talks with President Carter

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would be different. No opposition candidate holds out much hope either. The opposition is in disarray; it opposes policies and makes statements but does not have the votes to change policies or to oust an incumbent government. This could change with time, but as things stand, the Labour Party has still not gotten over its thrashing at the polls and there is wide disillusionment among traditional Labour voters. If there were an election now, dissenting Labour supporters would simply stay away from the polls.

As for Mr. Yigael Yadin's Democratic Movement for Change (DMC), Dr. Reich says the DMC has become a joke and is likely to disintegrate altogether if new elections were held now.

He relates a joke which is making the rounds in Israel now, to the effect that Mr. Yadin got into the cabinet on the basis of 242 - He got two ministers and two deputy ministers and had to crawl on all four to do it.

Even if he ran as an independent candidate, Mr. Weizman would not make it, nor is there much chance for a long-shot candidate like Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan. Dr. Reich points out that Dayan is anathema for the Labour Party which he deserted to join Mr. Begin's cabinet, and he has no support in Likud. Begin simply ignores him and the staff of his own ministry are put out by his one-man act approach to the conduct of the ministry's affairs.

Mr. Begin, Dr. Reich points

rater in Washington, Mr. Begin won Knesset approval for his refusal to soften his Middle East peace plan. He told the Knesset that the U.S. now wants a referendum to be held in the Israeli occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip in five years' time to decide their future. The idea was unacceptable, Mr. Begin said "because it would inevitably lead to that which the United States itself does not want - that is, the establishment of a Palestinian state."

Mr. Begin and his supporters are also playing down the rift with the United States, saying that the strain in U.S.-Israeli relations is not as bad now as at the time of Sinai II, "1975 was far worse," one of Mr. Begin's party says. "We had much more pressure then for less."

Dr. Reich referred to the settlements which have been established recently in the West Bank as "part of the game" that Begin is playing. It is hard to justify the settlements established inside military camps or the so called archaeological dig at Shiloh. Few Israelis apart from the Gush Emunim movement think they are worth the cost to Israel in terms of undermining U.S. public support, the effect they are having on Capitol Hill and the strong reaction they have elicited from the Carter administration. Many Israelis find them hard to justify because they are not real settlements, just handfuls of men camping out in military posts. Begin is clearly using them to establish a poli-

tical stake, to lay claim to the territory and to cram his personal views down the throats of people both inside and outside Israel who do not agree with him.

There is very strong suspicion in informed Israeli circles that if there is no truce to the rumour that a top U.S. administration official told a senior Israeli politician Mr. Begin should resign -- and there have been very strong and unequivocal denials from Washington, even from President Carter himself -- then there is a quasi conviction that Mr. Begin started the rumour himself to rally Israeli support behind him. "I hope," Dr. Reich says, "that Begin will eventually realize the extent of opposition, that ultimately he will begin to understand the lessons of opposition within his party, the Knesset and the U.S. I'm hopeful but not certain. All past evidence would indicate that he won't -- although his Sinai and West Bank proposals, however unacceptable to the Arabs, go further than was anticipated by many analysts.

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## Sadat's bid for peace

Commenting on current efforts to forge a Middle East peace agreement, Dr. Reich remarked that "Israeli-Egyptian" peace talks just aren't going to work. They might prevent war, but they aren't going to achieve peace."

President Anwar Sadat's visit to Jerusalem captured the imagination of the West and of Israeli moderates and generated a sympathetic reaction from U.S. public opinion and from Congress.

Mr. Sadat secured more support on Capitol for the Arab negotiating position, he succeeded in getting greater pressure from the Carter administration on Mr. Begin to moderate his views and it lent important support for the moderates in Israel. However, the U.S. administration realised from the start that if the Egyptian president's bid for peace were to work, there had to be

more for Israel was that it was impossible to negotiate with the PLO. Similarly, just as most Arabs believe that the 1973 war proved that more advantageous geographic borders cannot provide security for Israel, the lesson for most Israelis was that the occupied territories had provided a useful buffer to protect the heartland of Israel. The only new element in the cycle of PLO raid -- Israel retaliation was the emergence, following the Israeli incursion into Lebanon, of doubts as to the effectiveness of Israel's military might in dealing with the Palestinian problem.

## Arab disunity

Dr. Reich classified the raid and Sadat's visit as two major factors that had had a significant impact on peace negotiations. The third is the absence of a unified Arab position.

## I have difficulty seeing how Jordan can participate (in peace talks) at this time."

Arab participation ... Sadat could not be left to stand alone. The Begin government understands that Mr. Sadat is not trying to strike a bilateral peace agreement, but it stresses that Sadat speaks for Egypt alone.

Dr. Reich observed that "the Arab states have once again demonstrated that they are not united; they have made it possible for Israel to avoid taking the hard decisions."

Asked to comment on the Arab League Council meeting in Cairo at the end of last month, which called for the immediate withdrawal of Soviet and Cuban troops from the Horn of Africa but which failed to take any decisive action on the far more crucial question of the peace talks and disunity among the Arab front-line states, Dr. Reich remarked: "The Arab inability to take the right decision at the right time is very disappointing."

## National News Roundup...

King presides over radio club AGM

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — His Majesty King Hussein today presided over the Annual General Meeting of the Royal Jordanian Radio Club. During the meeting, the association president, Prince Ra'd Ibn Zeid read the annual report which included various activities of the association during King Hussein's silver jubilee year.

Prince Hassan inspects villages

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — His Highness Crown Prince Hassan today resumed his inspection tour of villages in the Karak Governorate and the District of Madaba. The Prince urged the villagers to cooperate in making a success of present and future projects in their regions. The Prince also urged farmers to follow modern farming methods.

Hashem Dabbas meets with Chinese ambassador

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — Means of strengthening and boosting economic and commercial relations between Jordan and the People's Republic of China were discussed today by Ministry of Industry and Commerce Under-secretary Hashem Dabbas and the Chinese ambassador. The latter expressed his country's willingness to increase its phosphate imports from Jordan and boost visits better.

Israel tears down three houses in West Bank town

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — The Israeli military occupation authorities have demolished three Arab houses in Toubas, in the occupied West Bank, reports by Israeli newspapers said. The reports added that the inhabitants of the town had denounced the measure.

Pakistani delegation visits army H.Q.

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — The visiting Pakistani military delegation led by Lt. Gen. Sadeq Rasheed Abbasi today paid a courtesy call to the army headquarters and met with the commander in chief of the Jordanian armed forces and the army chief of staff. Later, the delegation visited the School of Infantry and watched military exercises performed by special units. They also called at the Royal Military academy where they were acquainted with the activities of officers undergoing training courses.

Ajlouni delivers speech on Social Work Day

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — To mark Social Work Day Minister of Labour Issam Ajlouni today gave a speech at the Islamic Scientific College in which he spoke of activities and achievements in this field by the private and public sectors in Jordan.

Military governor endorses verdict on bribe attempt man

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — The military governor has endorsed a martial court verdict passed against Mohammad Abdul Karim Bastouni. The court had ordered him to pay a fine of JD 5,000 after being convicted of trying to bribe a public official. Meanwhile a Royal decree was issued today approving an amendment to the Martial Law of 1978. According to the amendment, all crimes of theft and embezzlement or any abuse of public trust will be referred to the martial court for consideration.

## WHAT'S GOING ON

## Book Exhibition

The exhibition of books on fine arts continues today at the University of Jordan Library. The exhibition is for one week ending Saturday.

## Children's Ballet

Mrs. Hijazi's pupils will be performing on the stage of the Palace of Culture, tonight at 5:30. The performance is for one night only.



## Economic and Business News

Aqaba wood factory capital increased to JD 3,200,000.

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — It was decided by the Pension Fund Board of Administration today that the capital of the wood factory in Aqaba will be increased up to JD 3,200,000. The factory is being established in cooperation with the government of Malaysia.

Cabinet guarantees JD 3m. loan to Housing Corp.

AMMAN, April 5 (JNA). — The government today decided to guarantee a JD 3 million loan to the Housing Corporation (from the Housing Bank), for the completion of a number of housing projects in the country.

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# British aid to Jordan is channelled to help the poor, visiting U.K. minister says

By John Tomlinson  
Jordan Times

AMMAN, April 5.—British Parliamentary Under-Secretary of Overseas Development (ODM), is on his first official tour of the Middle East, to visit the Jordan Times that he is in Saudi Arabia later in his trip, he expects to discuss the question of "strategic cooperation" in development. Oil money for instance, will be linked with British expertise in developing poorer parts of the Arab World. Something like this, Mr. Tomlinson is already happening with Aqaba water project in which five nations are involved.

Mr. Tomlinson said that despite the growth of the European Community development fund, Britain still gives twice as much bilateral as multilateral aid. There has been no conscious decision he said, to increase the proportion of multilateral assistance in the future.

British assistance worth up to £14 million has been made available to Jordan for the period 1976-1980. Of that sum, £9 million is capital assistance and the rest comes in the form of technical aid. Mr. Tomlinson said that he was not here to reassess Britain's aid in any way. It was premature, he added to speculate what sort of assistance would be given when the current plan comes to an end.

"We take the general view in development assistance" Mr. Tomlinson said, "that first we should seek to help poor people." It was for that reason that Britain is concentrating assistance to Jordan in the basic areas of water and electrification. Help is also being given to small farmers, through the Jordan Cooperative Organization.

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ference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) meeting in Geneva this February, Jordan was prominent among developing nations in asking for international action to alleviate the brain drain problem. One

post-secondary education abroad and he thought that would continue to be true for some time. Mr. Tomlinson added that Britain probably could not offer much help in solving the brain drain problem. Not many Jordanians, he said, live in the U.K. But if Jordan wanted to do its citizens abroad, he suggested, that was its affair.

Would he agree that the brain drain was costing Jordan a great deal? Mr. Tomlinson said "It depends how you look at it. It's costing them skills and experts that they could use in Jordan". On the other hand, it is "bringing fairly substantial sums of money into the country" — although it was possible to question whether that money was not in fact creating inflationary pressures.

In any case, Mr. Tomlinson said that he had not been asked for his support for the proposed International Labour Compensatory Facility, and that it was not a question which had featured much in his discussions here.

Mr. Tomlinson and his three-man delegation are due to fly today to North Yemen and will wind up their ten-day visit to the Middle East with a stay in Saudi Arabia.

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At the Home and Garden Club fashion show

Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue -- it was all there in grand style!

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in pure silk chiffon and

decorated with crystal beads.

By Brenda Finegan

Editorial, the Jordan Times

AMMAN, April 4 (JT). — If

happened to be around the

an Intercontinental Hotel

time around 10:30 Mon-

morning you would have

noticed a steady stream

of elegant ladies all head-

for the ballroom down-

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were dressed; in fact they

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# Law of Sea conference flounders as delegates disagree on presidency

GENEVA, April 5 (R). — A two-month United Nations conference on the Law of the Sea is still floundering one week after its start because delegates from 150 nations cannot agree on who should be president. Despite renewed efforts to steer the talks away from procedural wrangles, the conference failed to accept any of six formulas aimed at enabling delegates to get down to their real task.

An international treaty on sharing the world's oil, mineral and other riches in the oceans is the issue the delegates are supposed to be working on.

The difficulties arose when Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe of Sri Lanka, who was removed from his country's delegation after a change of government.

Action President Mohammad Yunus of Pakistan yesterday called together representatives of the six regional groups at

the conference to seek a solution after a full session of the conference Monday night failed to make any breakthrough.

Most delegates had expected the conference to agree to retain Mr. Amerasinghe as president, for the sake of continuity.

But Latin American and Caribbean states refused to accept him, saying it could set a dangerous precedent by allowing non-government envoys to hold high office.

At a press conference yesterday Mexican delegate Jorge Castaneda denied Latin American states were intransigent or prepared to allow the conference to break up.

The Mexican delegate said he thought Mr. Amerasinghe had been too sympathetic to land-locked countries.

"This may have been the objection of some countries," he said, but added that it would be difficult to find a completely neutral president for a politically contentious conference.

## EEC talks with Japan on surplus cut fall short of expectation

LUXEMBOURG, April 5 (R). — Foreign Ministers of the European Common Market said today the results of the recent EEC talks with Japan about cutting Japan's big trade surplus with the community fell short of what could have been hoped.

But the ministers accepted the argument of EEC External Affairs Commissioner Wilhelm Haferkamp that the talks had achieved as much as possible.

They adopted a statement submitted by Herr Haferkamp which said: "One can expect the Japanese government to take new measures during the coming months to stimulate internal demand and facilitate imports."

But the joint communiqué issued after the Tokyo talks "does not go as far as one could have hoped," the EEC statement said.

## Twins, Mariners get Major League regular baseball season going

NEW YORK, April 5 (AP). — Major League baseball, gliding from the most successful year in the history of the sport, opens its 1978 regular season today.

The Minnesota Twins and Seattle Mariners get the American League season underway tonight and the National League campaign begins Thursday when the Houston Astros play at Cincinnati. By Saturday, all 26 teams will be in action.

With advance ticket sales up for 25 of its member clubs, there is the chance that baseball could push right through the record attendance of 38,709,781 set last season. That represented an increase of 24 per cent and a jump of more than seven million over the previous record set in 1976.

After a winter of indecision, the proposed transfer of the Oakland team to Denver seems dead, leaving the baseball map intact for 1978. Once again,

in, the American League will operate with 14 teams. The National League remains with 12 teams and will play with the traditional rules.

Three clubs, the world champion New York Yankees and the Kansas City Royals in the American League and the Philadelphia Phillies in the National, will be shooting for their third straight divisional pennants. All three, as well as last year's other divisional winner, the National League champion Los Angeles Dodgers, have strengthened themselves with some new players.

The Yankees dipped in the free-agent market to add relief pitchers Eastwick and Gossage. Kansas City has come up with three outstanding rookie prospects, outfielder-first baseman Clint Hurdle, infielder U.L. Washington and outfielder Willie Wilson. Philadelphia picked up outfielder Jose Cardenal and infielder Bud Harrelson and the Dodgers signed bullpen free agent Terry Forster.

Three managers, George Bamberger in Milwaukee, Bobby Cox in Atlanta, and Roger Craig in San Diego, will be making their debuts. Cox was hired to replace Dave Bristol after last season. Bamberger took over the Brewers in January, replacing Alex Grammas.

## People in the news

### John Wayne recovers from heart operation

BOSTON (R). — John Wayne was reported in satisfactory condition yesterday after three-hour operation Monday to replace a defective heart valve. A Massachusetts general hospital spokesman said the 70-year-old actor was "comfortable, fully awake and in good spirits" in the hospital's intensive care unit. "Mr. Wayne continues to pursue an uneventful post-operative course following Monday's mitral valve replacement," he added. But Wayne, who won an Oscar in 1970 for his performance as Rooster Cogburn, the craggy, one-eyed lawman in the film *True Grit*, was unable to watch the Golden Globe Awards, from where master of ceremonies Bob Hope sent get-well wishes.

### Police catch "pillowcase rapist" suspect

LOS ANGELES (AP). — A man matching the description of the so-called "pillowcase rapist" was arrested yesterday when he fell off a rooftop while flapping his arms after an assault on a woman in her home, police said. But police said they were "hesitant" to link the man to the series of more than 100 rapes which have baffled authorities over the past three years. The attack was thwarted when a teen-age girl "beat the living Jesus" out of her mother's assailant, who had entered the family's home in the predawn hours, said police Lt. Dan Cooke. Mr. Cooke said the seven-man pillowcase rapist task force was investigating similarities between the bizarre early-morning incidents authorities believe may have been the work of a single rapist during the past three years -- including 20 so far this year.

### Queen gives Princess Margaret ultimatum, says Sun

LONDON (AP). — Queen Elizabeth II has told her younger sister, Princess Margaret, to end her much-criticized relationship with brewery heir Roddy Llewellyn or withdraw from public life, the Sun newspaper reported today. Buckingham Palace declined all comment on the tabloid's front-page report of a royal ultimatum to the head-strong princess amid a growing controversy over her private life and public image. A palace spokesman said: "I wouldn't dream of contacting the royal family about private conversations." The mass-circulation Sun, quoting "a close friend of the royal family," said the queen was "deeply upset" by the abuse and criticism levelled at the royal family over 47-year-old Margaret's friendship with Llewellyn, 17 years her junior.

## Dollar's plight revives economic double talk

NEW YORK, April 5 (R). — If the dollar's plight in the past few months has done nothing else, it has revived what some foreign exchange traders here call "the doubletalk of economic crisis."

President Carter defends the dollar's "integrity," central bankers worry about its "fundamentals" and almost everyone searches for more "confidence" in it.

Back in 1929, some traders recall, President Hoover told America that the "fundamental business of the country" was sound. Millionaire businessman John D. Rockefeller II, seeking to restore the confidence of nervous investors, announced: "The fundamental conditions of the country are sound."

Within days Wall Street crashed.

While no one here is predicting a full-scale dollar crash, many bankers are worried and doubletalk has increased.

Now, just 50 years later, Rockefeller's son, Chase Manhattan Bank Chairman David

Rockefeller, backs bold U.S. measures to restore "confidence" in the currency and President Carter rallies the nation in "defence of the dollar" with assertions that the nation's economy is sound.

One difference this time is that bankers and economists say the crisis words depend on the status of the people using them.

### Crisis words

President Carter's statements on the dollar, as befits statesmanlike pronouncements from the White House, centre on its integrity.

At the Federal Reserve Board, Chairman G. William Miller is more concerned about the dollar's "disorderly" behaviour.

The popular newspapers headline the dollar's "plunge".

Cynical bankers say they think Treasury Secretary Michael Blumenthal tried to talk out of both sides of his mouth, first talking the dollar down, then trying to exude

confidence and move it back up. Mr. Blumenthal denies doing any such thing.

But the people who make markets for the errant dollar still wonder what everyone is talking about.

Traders around the world consulted their economists for a definition of integrity.

Economists checked their dictionaries and textbooks and came back shaking their heads -- they didn't know.

The vocabulary that has evolved since the dollar began its headlong fall last year has had its ambiguities and also its ironies for some traders.

Take integrity. Those less truthful say that the word is too elusive a quality for even some statesmen and politicians to define.

Or disorder. The New York Federal Reserve Bank has been fighting it for years. Few people outside of the Fed really knew what it meant and most bankers preferred German Finance Minister Hans Matthofer's definition: "It's like a pretty girl. It's hard to define but you certa-

inly know it when you see one."

For seekers of a more dictionary-like definition of disorder, New York Fed Executive Vice-President Alan Holmes has come to the rescue. He recently told reporters at a foreign exchange briefing that "disorder", as applied to foreign exchange markets, means extremely rapid movements of rates, increasing spreads and the complete absence of bids and offers.

Of course not everyone will agree with Mr. Holmes's definition of disorders.

### What are fundamentals?

One senior banker said: "You can have the Fed saying the market is disorderly and intervening -- but the dollar may only be falling because traders are following what they believe are the fundamentals and are selling."

So what are the fundamentals?

Again no one is really sure although Fed Chairman Miller

recently defined them as energy policy, inflation and relative growth rates in the world economy.

Prices closed quietly firm Wednesday as government stocks attracted buying interest in longs following yesterday's bank figures and equities edged higher in the absence of sellers, dealers said.

Long-dated government bonds were around 1/4 to 1/2 point higher while shorts fluctuated narrowly. Equity leaders gained up to 3p in small buying. At 15:00, the F.T. index was up 2.5 at 470.3.

Mining shares were lower as the gold bullion price fell ahead of the IMF gold auction, while Australians were mixed.

Among industrials, GKN closed 3p higher around 276p after overnight results, while BICC rose 5p after annual figures. Also in electricals, Thorn eased 2p after news of it closing two television plants. W.H. Smith finished a penny lower in stores after year figures.

In the insurance sector, Sun Alliance was marked down 14p after annual figures, Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank closed 2p easier following news of its intended majority holding in Marine Midland Banks Inc. In mining financials, CONS Gold eased a net 3p after half time figures.

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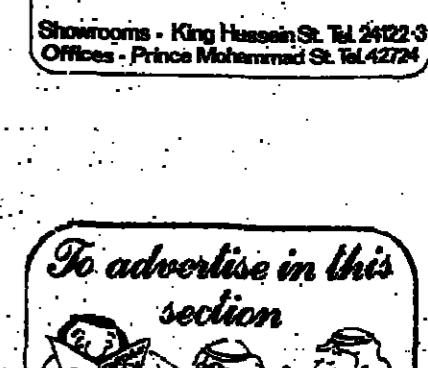
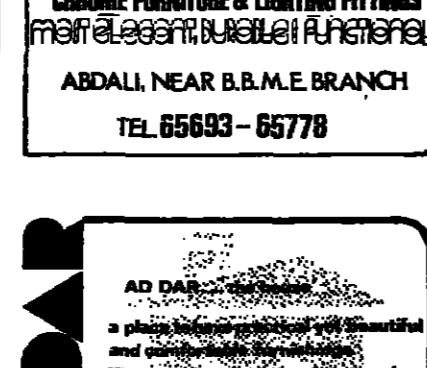
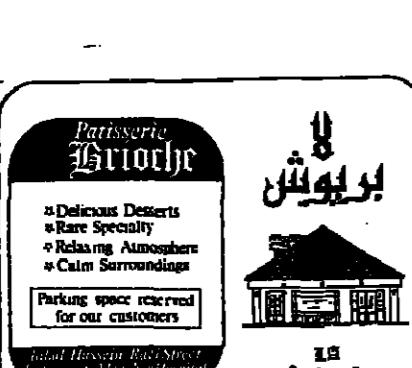
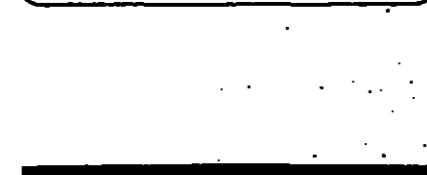
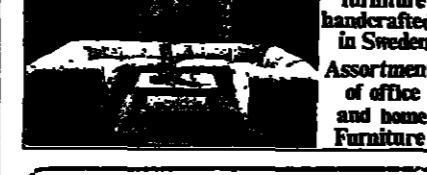
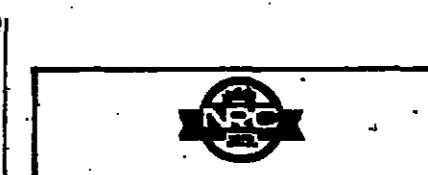
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## FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, (R). — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies against the dollar at the close of interbank trading on the London foreign exchange market last night. Tourist rates will differ from those quoted below.

One sterling .....	1.3740/50	U.S. dollars
One dollar .....	2.0140/55	West German marks
	2.1550/70	Dutch guilders
	1.8680/90	Swiss francs
	31.52/54	Belgian francs
	4.5525/75	French francs
	850.25/75	Italian lire
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	4.5770/80	Swedish krona

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**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 18) Give some thought to what your true aims are and how best to gain them. Use good, practical sense and you gain them easily.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 21) You are thinking clearly and can understand how best to gain your finest personal aims. Know which of your friends can help you. Join in group affairs and be happy.

**MOON CHILDREN** (June 22 to July 21) Do whatever will stand you as a conscientious citizen and improve your position in your area. Try doing something different from the norm.

**LEO** (July 22 to Aug. 21) A new plan you have in mind needs more work and inspiring ideas if you are to put it across successfully. Contact those who might be able to help you.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Find better ways of handling responsibilities. A long talk with a loved one can bring better understand, more harmony between you.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Have a talk with a clever and dynamic partner and come to a fine understanding. Do not dilly-dally about a civic duty you have to perform.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You have much work to do, so get at it quickly and it is soon behind you. A courier may be forceful, but don't pay any attention.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take care of obligations before you go out to amusements. Be careful that you do not overspend.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Be more inspired in relating to others and you get good results. Forget that plan that is no longer workable. Study a new project that could add to your income.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Become more productive at your work by understanding your limitations, which could be fewer than you think. Conversations with allies brings more understanding, harmony.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Be conscientious in handling financial affairs and get good results. Look about you and see what repairs are necessary to make above charming, comfortable.

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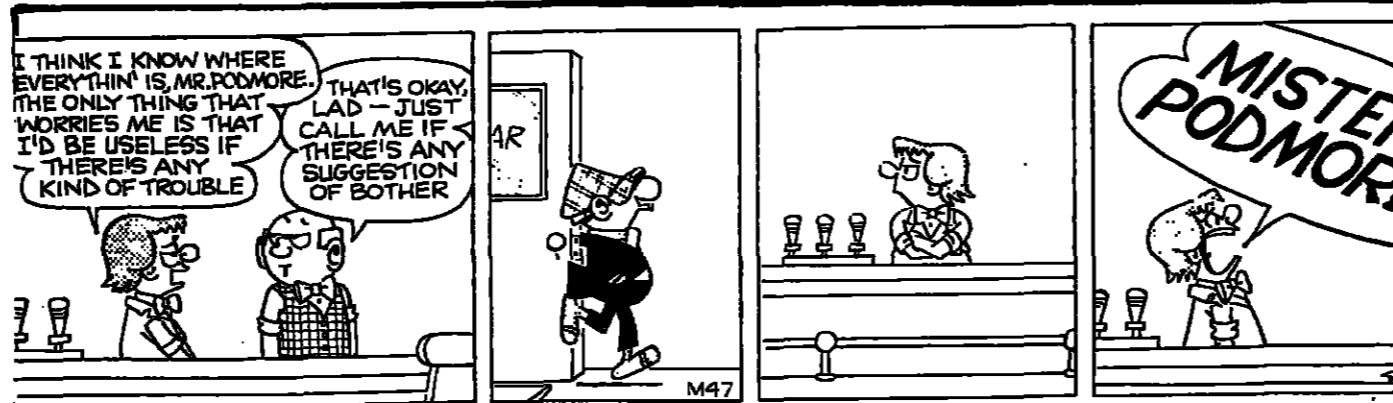
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# Britain brings its New Towns knowhow into force in rush to develop Mideast countries

By C. E. Tiffen

## Strong links

LONDON (LPS). — The evolution of an urban industrialised society depends to a great extent on the skills of the civil engineer in providing roads, bridges, power stations, ports, water supplies and drainage schemes. This is the problem now facing Middle East countries with plans for rapid advance in their peoples' standard of living.

In Britain research, development and realisation have been spread over a century of gradual change from a rural to an industrial economy, though at a faster rate in the past 30 years. This is particularly marked in the New Towns programmes which have provided homes and jobs for more than a million people.

Only part of the task

But new towns were only part of the task. Around seven million other homes have been built. The extension of secondary education involved the building of hundreds of new schools and universities. The development of the National Health Service required many more hospitals. And there had to be related expansion of road systems, power and water supplies and drainage works.

The sheer size of these programmes has given engineers, architects, builders and manufacturers unprecedented scope to produce better designs, methods, materials and equipment, which can be usefully applied in the Middle East today.

Most Middle East countries have their prosperity assured by oil exports and capital for the realisation of their plans is not usually the problem. Engineering equipment, skill and unknown are what they require and their technological resources need to be supplemented by outside specialists, including British consultants.

Consulting engineers have strict professional codes which forbid them any commercial interest in contracting or manufacturing, and ensure that the client's interest is paramount. To help new clients there is an independent, non-profitmaking organisation in London known as the British Consultants Bureau. The bureau puts potential clients in touch with consultants best suited to their needs, without charge.

£25 million contract

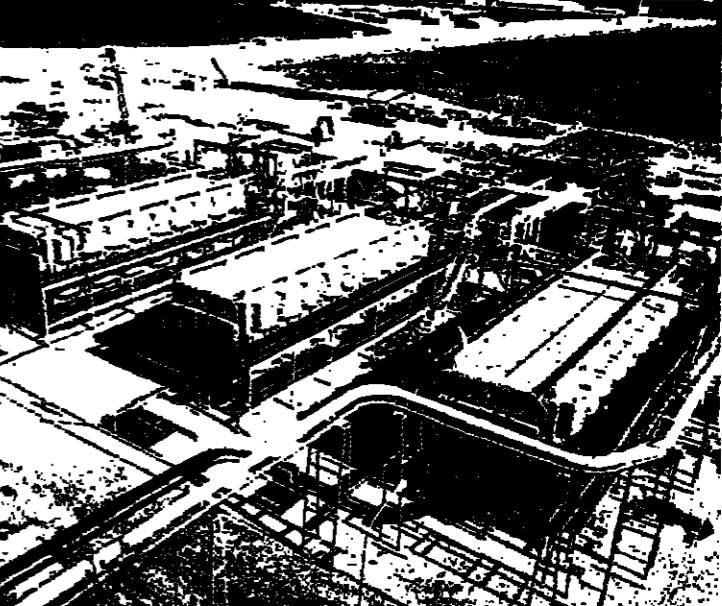
Port facilities at Aqaba, Jordan, are being expanded under a £25 m contract being undertaken by Tarmac International in a joint venture with Shahin Engineering Company of Amman. Tarmac, like many other big British firms, is also involved in road construction projects in the Middle East and to serve these efficiently has moved much of its roadstone coating plant into the region.

Supplementing the skills of consultants and contractors in Britain are governmental and independent research organisations. Two of these, the Transport and Road Research Laboratory (TRL) and the Building Research Establishment (BRE) have overseas units which appraise and advise on methods and materials best suited to the needs of developing countries.

TRL operates an abstracting service which is geared to help with road construction anywhere in the world.

One of the most valuable engineering installations to be made available to Middle East countries is the seawater desalination process of Weir Westgarth. Big plants are under construction in Jeddah, and in Ras Abu Fumus, Qatar. Others are operating in Abu Dhabi, Kharg Island, Kuwait, Masirah and Sharjah.

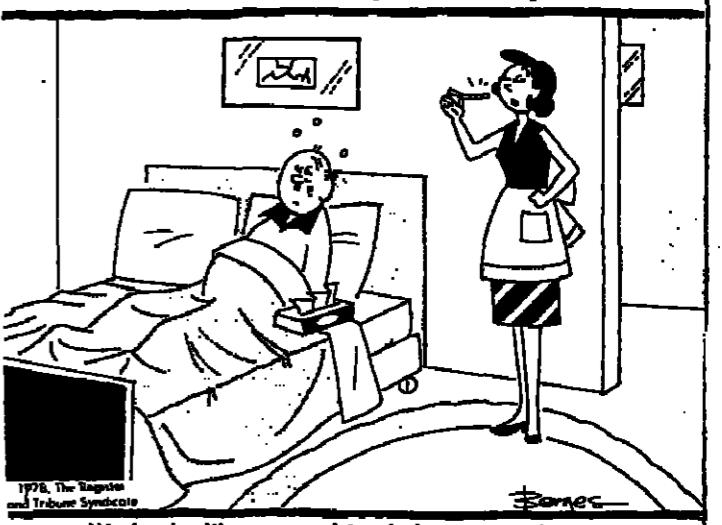
In all there are 170 big Weir plants in Africa, Australia, the Caribbean, mainland Europe, the Middle East and Latin America.



These three Weir Westgarth seawater distillation plants, each with an output of one million gallons (4.5 million litres) of fresh water a day, were built for the government of Kuwait as part of a contract for five plants, valued together at £2 million and completed in 1968.

## THE BETTER HALF

By Barnes



"It looks like something's been monkeying with your thermostat."

# Government unlikely to bargain despite appeal note from Moro

ROME, April 5 (R). — Christian Democrat Party leaders met urgently today to consider a plea by kidnapped ex-Premier Aldo Moro for an exchange of prisoners to set him free, but signs were that no bargain would be struck with his guerrilla captors.

The ruling party chiefs had before them an appeal by Signor Moro, 61, that jailed leftists be swapped for him. Time was running out, said Signor Moro's letter, released yesterday by the Red Brigades guerrillas who kidnapped him on March 16.

Eight politicians, who met for 90 minutes today, included Premier Giulio Andreotti. All eight were named by Signor Moro, the Christian Democratic Party president, as political friends able to help him.

The party leaders would not comment after the meeting but nothing in the government's conduct today, or in the Christian Democrat newspaper *Il Popolo*, suggested change in a

## Narita Airport will have its own ambassador

TOKYO, April 5 (AP). — Proposals that Tokyo's embattled new international airport at Narita be protected by trenches and drawbridges were followed yesterday by the disclosure it will have its own ambassador.

The Foreign Ministry announced it had named Hisajir Hattori, a 65-year-old former ambassador to the Vatican, Israel and Nigeria to be its "chef de protocol" with ambassadorial rank, to meet and send off foreign dignitaries. He will represent government and ministry officials unable or unwilling to make the three to four hour trip over inadequate roads to Narita, but will not be based at the airport.

Originally set for March 30, the airport opening has been postponed to May 20 to permit replacement and repair of control tower instruments wrecked by radicals March 26.

## Kyprianou criticises U.S. arms decision

NICOSIA, April 5 (R). — Cyprus President Spyros Kyprianou spoke out today against the United States decision to seek removal of the congressional three-year arms embargo on Turkey.

Shortly before Mr. Kyprianou's statement was issued hundreds of students staged a noisy but non-violent demonstration in Nicosia's main square in protest against the U.S. decision.

The Greek leader said in his statement the U.S. policy change had caused "feelings of deep disappointment and bitterness" among Greek Cypriots. He described the move as "an encouragement to the Turkish aggressor to continue his fait accompli policy." It had betrayed an ignorance of the Turkish mentality, said Mr. Kyprianou.

Hundreds of students gathered in Nicosia's main square to shout slogans and sing protest songs against the U.S. decision.

Small groups of protesters marched on the U.S. Embassy and American Cultural Centre, which were surrounded with barbed wire barricades earlier this week.

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## Park fails to convince U.S. House

WASHINGTON, April 5 (R). — Two days of public testimony by South Korean businessman Tongsun Park have apparently failed to convince U.S. Congressmen that he was not an agent of the Korean government.

Mr. Park, who named 29 past or present congressmen to whom he distributed nearly \$1 million, repeatedly told the House of Representatives Ethics Committee that he had acted on his own behalf.

But Mr. Leon Jaworski, the committee's Special Counsel, told reporters: "He (Mr. Park) reached different conclusions than we did."

Congresswoman Millicent Fenwick said: "There is no question in my mind that high Korean officials knew what he was doing, approved what he was doing and supported what he was doing."

## Brezhnev observes military exercises near Chinese border

MOSCOW, April 5 (R). — President Leonid Brezhnev today watched military exercises near Khabarovsk in the Soviet Far East, not far from the scene of 1969 border clashes with the Chinese.

The extremists said in a statement last night that their policy had always been to release all communists in jail but they gave no names.

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